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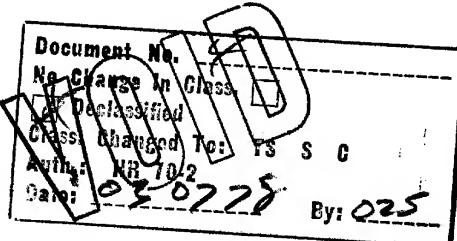|			
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1. Dertinger was ordered to report to Pushkin immediately after the former's speech in Schwerin on 8 July 1950. Pushkin inquired of Dertinger who had authorized him to go as far as he had in his Schwerin presentation and say "If we should be attacked, then it is to be hoped that we can defend ourselves as the Korean people are doing." Dertinger replied that he had not seen Semenov for several days and that he had throughout his speech employed the information already permitted by Pushkin concerning what might be said with regard to Korea. Pushkin expressed himself as satisfied. Dertinger maintained that he had in reality not mentioned the passage cited in the newspaper. He merely mentioned that the DDR would gain the unity of Germany by fighting (erkaempfen), but that he had never implied the use of an armed force.

2. It is further reported that Ulbricht has demanded that the manuscripts of Dertinger must be discussed by the Minister President before publication.

3. The ADN representative in Schwerin has been ordered to the office of the State Security Service where he was asked whether Dertinger really mentioned the questionable sentence which was reported by ADN.

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